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Great Basin National Park Hosts Annual Winter Astronomy Night

Saturday April 14, 2012 Great Basin National Park will host its annual Spring Star Party Astronomy Night.

Join park rangers and experience out of this world family fun, excitement, and learn about nighttime astronomy. Astronomers will be on hand to guide you through our spring night sky with their many telescopes of different makes, shapes, and sizes. There will be many opportunities to look at the stars, planets and other deep sky objects including nebulae and galaxies. Great Basin National Park is noted for the some of the darkest night skies and best air quality in the nation.

The program starts at 7:00PM PST at the Lehman Caves Visitor Center. Telescopes will be setup for the public to view.

The cost of the program is FREE. We will have complimentary hot refreshments available to make sure everyone stays warm.

To find out more about the upcoming summer 2012 astronomy schedule and the third annual Great Basin Astronomy Festival, take a look at the Great Basin National Park website at <http://www.nps.gov/grba>.

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